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MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Intelligence Information Staff

ATTN : Reading Panel  
THRU : Chief, Trade Branch  
FROM : Chief, SP Section  
SUBJECT : Reading Requirements for S/TF/SP

It is requested that all documents containing the following information be forwarded to S/TF/SP on a continuing and priority basis for the countries listed below:

South Asia

Afghanistan  
Pakistan  
India/Nepal  
Ceylon

Far East

Burma  
Thailand  
Cambodia  
South Viet Nam  
 Laos  
Malaya  
Indonesia  
Philippines

Middle East

Egypt  
Sudan  
Bahrain  
Iran  
Iraq

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Jordan  
Kuwait  
Lebanon  
Muscat & Oman  
Qatar  
Saudi Arabia  
Syria  
Trucial Oman  
Yemen

Africa

All countries  
Latin America  
All countries

Europe  
Yugoslavia  
Spain  
Portugal  
Iceland  
Greece  
Turkey

A. The actual or planned value, volume, and commodity composition of Sino-Soviet trade\*; trade and other economic agreements; trade missions and fairs; financial transactions; and all other economic activities of the Bloc (such as Bank of China activities) in and relations with the above-listed countries.

\* Only general information on commodity composition of Sino-Soviet Bloc trade with the listed countries is desired. Exceptions, where more detailed commodity trade information is required, are in the cases of bloc imports of cotton, rice, rubber, coffee, and non-ferrous metals and bloc exports of arms, machinery, transport equipment and complete plant installations.

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B. Negotiations and/or conclusion of arms agreements with the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

C. Economic Organizations and Personnel

1. Organizations (both in the Bloc and in the Free World) which promote economic ties between the countries of the Sino-Soviet Bloc and the above-listed countries.

2. Travel of economic, scientific and engineering personnel and trainees between the Bloc countries and the above-listed countries.

3. Technical assistance of the Bloc to the above-listed countries including the planning, construction, installation and maintenance of plants or machines as well as exchange of technical experts and trainees. Of particular interest are reports on the status of bloc efforts on such projects.

D. Any publications and studies of a general economic nature (a country's economic development plans, industrial and agricultural production goals and achievements, budget review, etc.) which relate to the countries listed above.